translated by S. Bohdanowicz and published at Dresden. An Italian commentary on the Inferno has also been written by Gregorio di Siena; it is well spoken of.

Prof. Holtzmann, deceased July 4 at Heidelberg, was best known by his works on the German and Sanskrit languages. From the Sanskrit he translated the "Ramayana and Mahavharata," besides publishing a volume of "Indian Sagas," 1847. His critical edition of the "Nibelungentied," 1863, is highly esteemed. Brockhaus has recently published the first part of his Old German Grammar—a work of great research. "German grammars," says one of his necrologists, "share the fate of German Minsters—they are laid out on a gigantic scale, and never completed." The full title of this work is: "Grammar of the Old German, comprising the Gothic, the Old Norse, the Old Saxon, the Anglo-Saxon, and the Old High German Languages." Vol. 1 containing the Special Doctrine of Sounds (pp. xv. 349), which, however, is a complete treatise by itself. The whole work was to be in three volumes, the first devoted to the sound, the second to the "forms," the third to the "formation of words"—the syntax was not embraced in the plan. It is a continuation in some respects a completion and correction, of Jacob Grimm's grammatical labors. It is not yet known whether the other parts of the work are far enough advanced to be put to press.

UNITED STATES.

Messrs. Gould & Lincoln, of Boston, the publishers of Dr. Gillett's "Life and Times of John Huss," are preparing to bring out in the course of a few weeks a new edition of the Work, with numerous corrections and some additions, as well as a valuable Appendix. This Appendix is derived largely from a large 8vo volume by F. Palacky, the Historiographer of Bohemia (noticed in our April No.) recently published at Prague. It is entitled "Documenta Mag. J. Hus," and gives not only corrected versions of documents previously accessible, but quite a number of letters, etc., which have been laboriously recovered from ancient libraries and private collections. We presume that the Appendix will be not only bound up in the volumes of the new edition, but published separately, so that persons who already possess the work can procure what will be accounted necessary to render it complete according to the present standard of historical research.

Scribner's Monthly is likely to be a decided success. It could hardly be otherwise, with such a House to back it, and such an Editor to conduct it, so enterprising a Gentleman to manage its business, and such immense expenditure of means upon it. And then it has a good foundation to build upon. *Hours at Home* has won for itself a name and a strong position in our periodical literature; and *Putnam's Magazine*, which also is absorbed in the new enterprise, ranks high. We wish it all success. There is a wide field for it. There was never greater need of a *high toned* popular magazine than to-day—one that shall retain the religious teaching and the evangelical spirit of *Hours at Home*, and unite therewith the highest literary ability which this country and the Old World afford. We rejoice to note that the leading Serial of the first year is to be from the pen of MACDONALD, the rising literary genius of Scotland, whose religious novels, though scarcely known in this country, are extraordinary productions—immeasurably superior to Reade's and Collins', to say nothing of the lesser lights. As the founder, and till recently, the sole conductor of *Hours at Home*, the writer naturally feels a special interest in its future history.

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